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For: METHOD FOR ALLOCATING STORAGE REGIONS AND  
PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE METHOD BASED ON HINTS,  
STORAGE DEVICE AND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

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